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may we QUOTE



you on that?

[1] A H SHAPLEY, vice-chmn, Nat'l Academy of Sciences, *Commenting on huge solar eruption, which set off violent electrical storms on eve of Internat'l Geophysical Yr, beginning July 1*: "The universe itself co-operated in heralding the beginning of the geophysical yr."

. . . [2] Prime Minister NOBUSKE KISHI, of Japan, *on threat of internat'l communism in Asia*: "As long as I am at the head of the Japanese gov't . . . we will never side with totalitarianism. We will always be on the side of the free world." . . . [3] Marshal TITO, of Yugoslavia, *in a filmed interview with Edw R MURROW*: "I think the best solution (for world peace) is co-existence. Not a passive co-existence but one in which we should strive to solve peacefully by negotiation and agreement all problems which could arise." . . . [4] Pres

GAMAL ABDEL NASSER, of Egypt, *in a filmed interview on British tv*: "I

am sorry about the period of bad relations between Britain and Egypt. I hope both countries will work for good relations." . . . [5] Pres DWIGHT D EISENHOWER, *addressing Republican governors on topic of speech-making*: "First you acknowledge all honored guests, then say 'and ladies and gentlemen.' Makes it sound as if all the others are skunks." . . . [6] LOUIS (Satchmo) ARMSTRONG, *on eve of overseas tour under State Dept's auspices*: "Man, they just show me where to go and I'll blow!" . . . [7] SHIRLEY ANN MILLER, 4 yrs old, *missing in Yosemite Nat'l Park for 60 hrs*: "I wasn't lost, but I saw a black bear who was." . . . [8] JOHN C EWERS, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, *on reassembling an Indian teepee for an exhibit*: "An Indian squaw could have put it up in half-an-hr, but it took us a day."

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Prices are going up. This is hardly headline news. You may have discerned the trend.

July steel advance will be reflected in higher prices for autos, appliances, etc. Other lines, too, contemplate inevitable price increases. Looks like a cost-of-living boost of perhaps 4% for the yr. Not too sensational. But in perspective with a 15% increase since '48, it adds up to bad tidings for all who live on fixed incomes.

In a word, inflation. It has long been an economic axiom that inflation is a consequence of "too few goods, too much money." But today we have plenty of goods (or the capacity to produce them) and the FRB has tightened the flow of money. So why inflation? Answer: a shortage of workers.

Why a shortage of workers in a nation that has shown unprecedented population increase? Sever-

al reasons, too involved to detail—primarily, low birth rate in depression yrs; young people in school for longer periods; early retirement of senior citizens.

Union leaders, aware of situation, press for higher wages, resulting in higher cost of finished products.

"Couldn't gov't do something?"

What would you suggest: Freeze wages at present levels? A fantastic course in peacetime that would cost every Congressman his job at next election. Tighten money drastically? This would bring on a recession with wholesale unemployment; give fixed-income folk a break while playing hob with economy generally.

Only real hope to keep prices from skyrocketing lies in more economical production. American productive genius is the one factor in these late yrs that has saved us from the desperate plight of other inflation-plagued nations. Our best brains continue to concentrate on this gravest industrial problem.



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"He who never quotes, is never quoted"

Charles William Stevenson

ACTION—1

While a man should keep both feet on the ground, there's no reason why he shouldn't move them around. — SAM the SEXTON, *Together*.

AGRICULTURE—2

Tale of the Soil Bank: The tenant farmer put his land in the Soil Bank. Then he took the Soil Bank money and put it in the city bank. Then he put his hind end on the creek bank and went fishing.—SEN RICHARD RUSSELL (D-Ga).

AMERICA—Russia—3

In our parish, the prayers after Mass always conclude with "Savior of the world, save Russia." This has been the custom for 5 or 6 yrs now, but last Sunday there was an unexpected variation. While the parishioners were intoning, "Saviour of the world, save Russia," a determined feminine voice rose, loud and clear, above all the others, "Saviour of the world, save America!" — KATHERINE LAURE, *Catholic Digest*.

AUTOMATION—4

Many labor leaders genuinely fear that automation will cut employment, and it is true that it can displace workers temporarily. But the completely automated factory is a myth. . . Of 13 automated plants studied in a recent survey, 12 have higher employment than before the change—usually because the plant has more business than formerly.—*Steel*.

CHARACTER—5

Fame is vapor, popularity an accident; riches take wings—only one thing endures—that is character.—*Megiddo Message*.

CHILD—Discipline—6

A switch, says an old railroader, has put many a delinquent on the right track. — *Phoenix Flame*, hm, Phoenix Metal Cap Co.

CHILDREN—Viewpoint—7

You might disparage, might deplore
My child, when introduced to him,
And so might I, were it not for
The fact that I am used to him.
—ANITA RASKIN.

CHURCH—8

We have gone worldly in the way we estimate the success of the church. We talk eagerly of statistics, modern conveniences, debts paid off, development funds—but rarely do we hear comment about growth in things of the spirit, the work of the parish as a redemptive fellowship.—The Very Rev Jas A PRICE, Dean of the Cathedral of St John the Divine, N Y, "Huckstering God Is Dangerous!" *Coronet*, 7-'57.

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washington



By Les & Liz
Carpenter

Dixie is losing its internationalist reputation. On recent for'gn aid votes, most Southern senators lined up to cut, cripple, and finally to kill not only for'gn aid, but also the worldwide atoms-for-peace agency.

Why? One theory: King Cotton has lost his worldwide mkts. This, plus the recent invasion of cheap Japanese textile and oil imports, has dimmed the internat'l enthusiasm of the cotton industry and a large segment of the oil industry.

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"Old Tom" Butler has been cutting hair since 1937 in the House of Representatives barber shop. He declares that "one of these days" he is going to look in the House chamber and see his customers at work. In 27 yrs, he has never ventured upstairs. "When Congress is in session," he explains, "I'm in session too."

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The Kennedy-for-President boom has subsided to give priority to a Kennedy-for-Senator boom. Sen John F Kennedy is up for re-election in '58 in Mass. Strategists are aiming for such an overwhelming vote that it will place Kennedy solidly in the Democratic presidential sweepstakes. No Democratic opponent so far. Two Republicans have been mentioned: Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers and Christian Herter, Jr.

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EDUCATION—9

If the school is to be judged by its poor products, why can't a factory be judged by its scrap pile?—
MARIE FRASER, Indiana Teacher.

EDUCATION—Discipline—10

The Nat'l Education Ass'n, celebrating 100 yrs of progress in education, cites these discipline rules enforced in a N Carolina school a century ago:

Boys and girls playing together—4 lashes; For not making a bow when a stranger comes in—3 lashes; For calling each other liars—4 lashes; For blotting copy book—2 lashes; For scuffling at school—4 lashes; For doing any mischief—7 lashes.—*Jnl of Teacher Education.*

FAMILY LIFE—11

The family is a storehouse in which the world's finest treasures are kept. Yet the only gold you'll find is golden laughter. The only silver is in the hair of Dad and Mom. The family's only real diamond is on Mother's left hand; yet can it sparkle like children's eyes at Christmas or shine half as bright as the candles on a birthday cake? The mines of the earth yield no sapphires or rubies so precious as a baby's smile when it sleeps or a child's prayer at bedtime: "God bless Mommy and Daddy and Brother and me." —ALAN BECK, "What Is a Family?" *Good Housekeeping*, 7-'57.

GOD—and Man—12

If you aren't as close to God as you once were, don't make a mistake about which one has moved.—*Brotherhood Jnl*, Nat'l Conf of S Baptist Men.



mining the magazines

At this season when sundry municipalities are staging annual blitz campaigns against the housefly, an interesting development is reported by K R S Ascher, Medical Research Laboratories, Israel Defense Forces. Dr Ascher asserts that he has been able to prevent egg-laying in a highly resistant strain of houseflies by the use of fluorocarbon contact insecticides. A full acc't of the experiment is carried in current issue of *Science*.

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The magazine, *Fortune*, has just issued its 3rd annual directory. A feature is the listing of the nation's 500 largest corporations. This edition, based of course on '56 sales, shows no change in 1st 4 positions—Gen'l Motors Corp'n, Standard Oil of N J, Ford Motor Co and U S Steel.

This yr, for 1st time, directory lists 100 largest for'gn corporations. List is headed by Royal Dutch-Shell, followed by Unilever (parent of Lever Bros), Imperial Tobacco and British Petroleum.

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The Atlantic Monthly will be 100 yrs old this fall. In place of the conventional centennial number, there will be 3 special issues. October will feature "A Perspective of Science and Industry." The actual Anniversary Issue, in November, will present the work of contemporary writers "the world is most likely to remember." This will be followed in December by "A Per-

Paul Harvey News, on Red China's recent criticism of Russia: "This is not a philosophical change, but a political maneuver. Unable to buy her way into the UN, Red China is seeking now to bow her way in."

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spective of Mass Communications." The magazine is being re-designed, with a new cover-to-cover format by Gyorgy Kepes.

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An edition of the Belgian *Pourquoi Pas?* (literal translation, "Why Not?") just rec'd in America, features an article on the atom bomb. The Belgian viewpoint may be inferred clearly from the title, "Atom, Go Home!"

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R R French, account exec for a N Y adv agency, declares (in *Advertising Age*) that agency idea men are becoming "slide-rule happy." Says he counted 17 ads in April issues of various mags, featuring illustrations of slide-rules. . . . *Executive Digest* (June) rep'ts on a key designed for clubhouse use, that only opens the door if user's dues are paid. . . . And we hope this sure-fire recipe for a successful vacation (via *Changing Times*) will be duly noted: "Take half the clothes you figured on—and twice the money."

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GOD—and Man—13

The social director of the Firestone Plantation took me to see the great hydroelectric station which runs their mill and supplies their light. I had never seen inside of a hydroelectric plant before. There was a huge pipe, and four great turbine wheels. The water was open above them, but they were standing still. I said, "Why don't these turbines run?" He said, "Because the pipe is closed down at the outlet. If that were open, the water could flow thru. The turbines can't run unless both the inlet and the outlet are open." I said to this man, "That is the way our lives are. The pipe must be open up toward God and open down toward man. And then currents flow thru and the wheels go round and we work with the power of God."—FRANK C LAUBACH, *Channels of Spiritual Power* (Revell).

HATRED—14

If I wanted to punish an enemy, it should be by fastening on him the trouble of constantly hating somebody.—HANNAH MORE, *Friendly Chat*.

HEALTH—Mental—15

To demonstrate the degree to which nervous tension saps mental energy, Pennsylvania State Univ psychologists made tests on patients in dentists' waiting rooms. The researchers found the subjects' abilities to think and reason had slowed almost to a standstill. —JOHN E GIBSON, "The Brains God Gave You," *Catholic Digest*, 7-'57.

HONESTY—16

A psychologist selected at random from a phone directory the names of 100 men and women and sent each of them \$1. An accompanying letter explained the sum was the refund of an overpayment on a previous bill. In a short time 63 of them had ret'd the money with a note saying he had made a mistake.—ELEANOR C WOOD, *American Mercury*.

Quote scrap book

If I should die, think only this of me
That there's some corner of a foreign field
That is forever England.

So wrote the British poet, RUPERT BROOKE, born 70 yrs ago (Aug 3, 1887). Brooke died in War I, a victim of blood poisoning. The revered "corner" to which the poet made reference is on the isle of Skyros in the Aegean Sea.

HUMAN RELATIONS—17

The shape of a man's head, the length of his legs, the color of his eyes are inherited from his ancestors, but he alone is responsible for his attitude toward other men.—OLIVER G WILSON, "The Golden Rule Applied," *Wesleyan Methodist*.

LIFE—Living—18

Add an hr to the fresh end of the day, and you will live more than an average life.—*Wkly Unty*.

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LIFE—Living—19

To man today comes a tragic sense of failure—failure in living. We are brilliant but unhappy, clever but unstable, uncomfortable but comfortless; we own so much and possess so little. We are forlorn souls, groping and hungering and lost. Once again, as in the Garden of Eden, man is a fugitive from God and bereft of spiritual certitude.—*Edw L R ELSON, America's Spiritual Recovery* (Revell).

MARRIED LIFE—20

A smart wife usually knows a lot more about her husband than she ever reveals to him. Unfortunately she often reveals it to her best friend. — *Ihre Freudin, Karlsruhe* (Quotz translation).

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A man who thinks marriage is a 50-50 proposition doesn't understand one of 2 things: women or fractions.—*Capper's Wkly.*

MODERN AGE—21

A parking lot is a place where you pay 50¢ so you won't get fined a dollar while you go in to get a 10¢ soda that costs a quarter. — *Nat'l Safety News.*

MONEY—22

With some women money is no object, but it is usually the subject. — *Kroehler News, hm, Kroehler Mfg Co.*

OBSTACLES—Overcoming—23

When an oyster cannot get rid of an irritation in his shell, he settles down to make something beautiful of it — a pearl. Dr A J Cronin started out as a physician, broke down in health and, in much frustration, turned to writing fiction. He made a pearl of his irritation. Whistler, the artist, wanted to be a soldier, but rec'd a terrible

grade on chemistry and flunked out of West Point. “If silicon had been a gas,” he said, “I would have been a major gen'l.” He learned the lesson of the oyster. Turn your troubles into pearls.—*Rev A PURNELL BAILEY, “Bread of Life,” Grit.*

PATIENCE—24

Life is composed of waiting periods. The child must wait until he is old enough to have a bicycle, the young man until he is old enough to drive a car, the medical student must wait for his diploma, the husband for his promotion, the young couple for savings to buy a new home. The art of waiting is not learned at once. There is a long growing-up process between the infant who cannot wait at all, but wants everything on demand, and the fully developed adult who can see fulfillment out ahead and patiently wait and work for it. “If I could give young people the most priceless gift,” a family counselor remarked, “it would be a talent for waiting.” — *HOWARD WHITMAN, “Youth and ‘The Natural Urge,’ ” Better Homes & Gardens, 7-57.*

POWER—25

Power is nothing more than an empty shell. It is the forces filling this shell which give it reality.—*“The Powers that Move the World,” Realites, Paris.*

PRAYER—26

Experience has taught me that the more I get on my knees, the more I can stand up to life.—*BURTON HILLIS, Better Homes & Gardens.*

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"For Whom the Far is Near"

Perhaps no voyage in human history has resulted in a larger volume of literary tributes than did the adventure of CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS, which began at Palos, Spain, 465 yrs ago (Aug 3, 1492). More than 300 recognized American writers are on record with eulogies to the character and courage of the Italian navigator. The unrecorded total is truly fabulous. Here are a few brief excerpts from the vintage of the yrs:

O patient master, seer,
For whom the far is near,
The vision true, and the mere present
pales.—LOUIS JAS BLOCK, *The New World*.

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Every ship that comes to America got its chart from Columbus.—RALPH WALDO EMERSON, *Representative Men*.

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He gained a world; he gave that world
Its grandest lesson: "On! Sail on!"
—JOAQUIN MILLER, *Columbus*.

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Columbus found a world, and had no chart,
Save one that faith deciphered in the skies;
To trust the soul's invincible surmise
Was all his science and his only art. — GEO SANTAYANA, *O World*.

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RECREATION—27

Unless an informed public aggressively insists on its right to adequate park and other recreation areas, the vanishing wilderness and the vanishing frontier will be joined by a vanishing opportunity for outdoor recreation.—JOS PRENDERGAST, Exec Director Nat'l Recreation Ass'n, *Recreation*.

SAFETY—Safe Driving—28

Of the 76 million operators of vehicles in this country, authorities estimate that no less than 14 million need the basic fundamentals of a beginner-training program. In other words, they have no business being on the road at all with their present skills. — SAUL H ROSE, American Driver Training Ass'n.

SELF—Analysis—29

It takes courage to face yourself and place the responsibility for your happiness, your success, and your health squarely upon yourself. When you are courageous enough to do this you will begin to find the solution to your difficulties.—LOWELL FILMORE, "Foundation Stones," *You*, 7-'57.

SEXES—30

A wise woman puts a grain of sugar into everything she says to a man, and takes a grain of salt with everything he says to her.—*Highways of Happiness*.

SPEECH—Speaking—31

My father always thought there was something doubtful about making a living by talking.—EDW R MURROW, CBS-TV reporter.

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There is nothing wrong in having nothing to say unless you say it aloud.—*Tit-Bits*, London.

pathways to the past



July 28—Peruvian Independence Day (marks independence from Spain, 1821). . . 95 yrs ago (1862) a veteran postal employe, W A Davis, observed that letters were often delayed for days because departing stage coaches would not wait while bulk train-delivered mail was sorted on arrival at junction pts. On his run from Palmyra to Clarence, Mo, he began sorting and separating mail according to destination. The chore soon became an accepted duty of ry mail clerks. . . An echo of depression days rises to haunt us a quarter of a century later. It was 25 yrs ago (1932) that Pres Hoover ordered dispersal of the "Bonus Army" from Washington's Anacosta Flats. War I vets were encamped to promote their bonus demands.

July 29—Feast of St Martha. . . Feast of St Olaf. . . 95 yrs ago (1862) the term "Copperhead" (to designate a Northerner sympathetic to the Southern cause) was 1st used in the *Cincinnati (O) Gazette* . . . 85 yrs ago (1872) 1st U S patent for wireless telegraphy issued to Mahlon Loomis, a dentist. He flew 2 kites on adjacent mtn tops using wire instead of string; signaled from one to the other by discharging electricity, collected from the atmosphere, to the earth at the transmitter. (1st use of vertical elevated antennae to transmit signals — a basic technique of radio and tv) . . . 50 yrs ago (1907) New York retired horse-drawn stages to introduce motor

coaches on 5th Avenue.

July 30—100th anniv (1857) b of Thorsten Bunde Veblen, American economist and social theorist; author *The Theory of the Leisure Class*.

July 31—Feast of St Ignatius de Loyola (founder Society of Jesus, commonly called Jesuits). . . 10 yrs ago (1947) Smugglers Union, Hendaye, France, went on strike, protesting action of customs guards permitting French citizens to enter Spain and ret'n with fruits and wine. "This," said a spokesman, "is ruining the smuggling business."

Aug 1—Swiss Independence Day (marks a confederation of defense dating back to 1291).

Aug 2—Nation's telephones were silenced briefly 35 yrs ago (1922) marking death of Alexander Graham Bell, inventor. . . 30th anniv (1927) issuance of Calvin Coolidge's cryptic statement: "I do not choose to run for President in 1928."

Aug 3—465th anniv (1492) sailing of Christopher Columbus from Palos, Spain, on 1st voyage westward in search of a new route to China and the Far East (see GEM Box). . . 70th anniv (1887) b of Rupert Brooke, British poet who died in War I.

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Paris newspapers recently carried a notice to the effect that the French Ministry of Reconstruction has retired as a major gov't dep't. It now becomes a secretariat of the Prime Ministry.

Back of this brief item is a story of almost incredible achievement. French wartime property damage was estimated at \$14 billion. In little more than a decade 1,849 French communities, working under the Ministry of Reconstruction, have cleared away wartime rubble; 55,000 public bldgs and 620,000 business enterprises have been restored to operation, and (this is one of the more remarkable incidental facts) 1,300,000 home-owners have been compensated for damage.

Reconstruction plans began long before materials were available. Every French architect was drafted for the project. Each assumed responsibility for certain areas, working under a master plan. Without neglecting aesthetic values, France has wisely seized this rarely-afforded opportunity for a fresh start. Today tourists will find in Harve and Brest (to cite a couple of striking examples) beautiful, modern communities tuned to the tempo of the times.

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SUCCESS—Failure—32

In the lexicon of youth there is no such word as "fail." Remember the story of the boy who wanted to march in the circus parade? When the show came to town, the bandmaster needed a trombonist, so the boy signed up. He hadn't marched a block before the fearful noises from his horn caused two old ladies to faint and a horse to run away. The bandmaster demanded, "Why didn't you tell me you couldn't play the trombone?" And the boy said, "How did I know? — I never tried before!" — WALT DISNEY, "When I Was Young," *This Wk*, 6-23-'57.

SUPERSTITION—33

A man who wanted to prove that superstitions are silly, decided to spend Friday the 13th at a race track. No one will ever know if he would have had bad luck or not, as he was killed in a collision on his way to the track.—JACK HERBERT.

TEACHERS—Teaching—34

Our calling as teachers is not to create children in our own images but to develop children who can create their own images. It takes courage to be a real teacher.—D KENNETH WINEBRENNER, editorial, *School Arts*.

TELEVISION—35

Since tv, radio doesn't seem half so bad as it used to.—*Information Magazine*.

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Television is a great thing—but it will never replace the good old keyhole. — GRETHE WEISER, *Weltbild*, Munich (QUOTE translation).

THOUGHT—36

Rules are for when brains run out. — GEO PAPASHVILY, in *Personnel Jnl*.

VIEWPOINT—37

A great deal of what we see depends on what we have been looking for.—*Dresch Messenger*, Dresch Laboratories, Toledo.

WEATHER—38

Climatologists suspect a Heat Age is on the way. The whole Earth has warmed up 2.2° in the past 50 yrs alone. One factor seems to be the quantities of carbon-dioxide poured into the air from burning coal and oil. This is not negligible since an increase of only a few hundredths of 1% of CO₂ in the atmosphere can raise the world's temperature a whole degree. Thus, as world industry expands, we are helping bring on the Heat Age . . . A few hundred yrs from now N Y and Boston may be like southern Florida. The Arctic Sea will be entirely ice-free. Northern Canada and Siberia will be in the temperate zones, much of the Antarctic ice-cap may melt, the tropics will include most of the U S. — O O BINDER, "Solving the World's Top Secrets," *Mechanix Illustrated*, 7-'57.

WOMEN—39

The famous women of the world admitted their sex—and went on from there.—CATHLEEN CANON.

WORK—40

It is an article of faith in my creed to pick the man who does not take himself seriously, but does take his work seriously.—MICHAEL C CAHILL, *Highways of Happiness*.

WORLD—41

When the new college graduates are tempted to turn the world upside down they should remember its weight in tons is a 6 followed by 21 ciphers.—*Rushville (Ind) Republican*.



This fall, for the 1st time in the history of tv, a number of big-name comedians will be without regular sponsors, and may be limited to occasional guest appearances. It isn't that the public has suddenly lost its taste for humor. Primarily, it is a matter of material. Sponsors and their agents are by-passing the funsters because, on the whole, they haven't been able to maintain high entertainment standards. As one agency man puts it: "All the writers in the world couldn't turn out enough good, fresh material to keep our crop of established comedians on tv wk in and wk out."

If you are running a little short of things to worry about, give a thought to the plight of the Eskimo. He is, it seems, being killed by kindness. According to a survey lately crossing our desk, Eskimos aren't hunting seals or fishing as of yore. They are living off processed foods; their resistance is thus lowered, and they are catching diseases of the white man. Back in '41 B W H (Before Welfare Hand-outs) 13,000 Eskimos lived in Canadian Arctic. Now the number is down to less than 8,000.

Note on the Age of Automation: Newly-patented "newspaper gun" shoots newspapers from moving vehicle to doorstep.

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Current in N Y is a tale about a rabbi who was visiting a Jewish restaurant on Manhattan's lower East Side. He was served by a Chinese waiter who made recommendations from the menu and then took his order, all in Yiddish. Following the dinner the rabbi called over the proprietor, an old friend.

"Isn't it extraordinary," he asked, "that you have a Chinese waiter who speaks Yiddish?"

The proprietor quickly put a finger to his lips. "Sh-h-h," he said, "he really thinks he's learning English."—*United Mine Workers Jnl.* a

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Art Ryan reports a restaurant in Los Angeles that has just acquired a genuine shrunken head which is displayed prominently above the bar. Underneath the head is a sign:

"My, that was a dry martini!"—*E E KENYON, American Wkly.* b

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As usual, the girls were talking about marriage.

"I'll have trouble finding the kind of man I want to marry," commented Denise. "He'll have to be smart enough to earn a lot of money but stupid enough to give it to me."—*Pourquoi Pas?, Belgium* (Quote translation). c

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I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

HOPE A DIFFENDERFER

Dep't of Education, USCAR

At Toyko Internat'l Airport I watched an American businessman make himself completely obnoxious as he worked thru the routine matter of leaving Japan.

"I have to make the 6 o'clock plane for Alaska," he explained, shoving his bags ahead of other luggage at the customs window.

He fumed because clerks at the immigration desk couldn't speak English. When he reached the currency control window, he boiled over at the whole system of currency control.

Finally, he started to plunge the line at the immunization section. A tall, thin man tapped him on the shoulder:

"Don't worry, sir," he said. "These routine matters take time, but the planes wait for everyone."

"I have a ticket for the 6 o'clock plane," snapped the Alaska-bound businessman, "and I intend to be on that plane by 6 o'clock!"

"Merely wanted to save you the strain," drawled the stranger. "I'm the pilot of the plane, and I'm right behind you in line."

The old experienced barrister, wise in his profession, was well aware that the judge hearing the case was noted for his bad temper and gen'l testiness; but his jr was not so well informed.

Outraged by a decision from the judge, the young man shot to his ft. "Your Honor," he said heatedly, "I am amazed that you should make such a decision!"

There was a shocked silence. The old barrister, determined to retrieve the sit'n, rose also.

"Your Honor," he said, "my impetuous young friend intends no disrespect. He has much to learn. I can assure him that when he gains my am't of experience he will never be amazed at any decision Your Honor makes." — *Digest of World Reading*, Melbourne, Australia. d

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Down in Texas a multimillionaire who does not want to get tossed out of the Multimillionaire's Club, must have 4 limousines—one to travel in each direction.—*Wright Line*, hm, Wright Line, Inc. e

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Russian controlled E Germany is the butt of a number of stories Germans now tell.

"I am fed up," said a Leipzig factory worker. "If I go to work 5 min's late I am arrested for sabotage. If I arrive 5 min's early I am arrested for spying. And if I arrive dead on time I am arrested for owning a capitalistic watch."—*Tit-Bits*, London. f

The Old Timer

An old-timer is one who can remember when the stranger who accosted you on the street was a pan-handler, and not a recruiting agent for an engineering firm.—HAROLD COFFIN.

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You're an old-timer if you can remember when the woman you left behind you stayed there. — FRANKLIN P JONES.

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Old Timer: one who can remember when a dollar was still worth 59 cents.—G NORMAN COLLIE.

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An old-timer is a man who has never been able to figure out why women still take as much time to dress as they did when they wore clothes.—DAN BENNETT.

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An old-timer is one who remembers when people were more intelligent than machines. — KATE M OWNBY.

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An old-timer is a man who remembers when the only problem about parking was to get the girl to agree to it.—*Tit-Bits*, London.

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Who remembers the Good Old Days when a juvenile delinquent was a kid who owed a few cents on an overdue library book?—IRVING LEIBOWITZ, Scripps-Howard Newspapers.

Quote

Playing with his children was Pres Theo Roosevelt's chief delight, and "Follow the Leader" a favorite game. The children would race wildly behind their father, thru swamps and brambles, across anything in their path. One day, Roosevelt invited the French ambassador, then visiting the White House, to join the romp—the only rule being that when players reached water, all clothing be shed and everyone go thru in best nudist style.

When the ambassador emerged ready to play, Roosevelt cried out, "Not fair! You left your gloves on!"

"But," repl'd the ambassador, "I was afraid I might meet ladies."—MARJORIE BARSTOW GREENBIE, *The Arts of Leisure* (Whittlesey House).

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The prof, who always shopped at the same butcher shop and who always bought hamburger or other cheap meat came in one day and looked at the prices. "The hamburger is fine today, Prof," suggested the butcher.

"Good," repl'd the prof, "please give me some." But when the butcher stopped adding meat as soon as a lb was on the scale, the prof commented, "No, from now on I'll have to have twice as much as I used to have. We have company—permanent company—Hungarian refugees."

"Good for you!" admired the butcher. "And I'll help their cause by adding the cost of the additional meat to the Russian embassy bill. They buy their meat here, too." — *Revue*, Munich (Quote translation).

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Quote

A man tells us that his young son came down to see him the other morning, just about lunch time. As a special treat he took the boy out to lunch with him. They went to an oyster bar near by and perched up on stools like a couple of regulars. After lunch he asked the boy how he had enjoyed his oysters on the half-shell. After an embarrassed moment, the youngster admitted that they had looked so unappealing to him that he hadn't eaten any. "But," protested the father, "there weren't any left on your plate!"

"I know," said the culprit in shame. "I didn't want to hurt your feelings, so when you weren't looking I shoved them into my pocket. I'm just looking for a place to get rid of them now." At that moment a look of sheer horror came over his face. "My gosh!" he exclaimed. "They aren't here! I must have put them in the pocket of the man sitting next to me!"

They both quickened their pace and slipped around a corner. — *Montrealer*.

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Noel Coward was introduced to a composer who had polished manners, but a nasty disposition.

"Interesting fellow, isn't he?" remarked a friend, when the composer had left.

"Yes," quipped Coward, "every other inch a gentleman."—*Buffalo Evening News*.

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He could not have been over four, the little boy who stood in front of the lost and found desk. He hardly reached the top, and there were traces of hastily wiped tears on his chubby face as he inq'd, "Has any mother been turned in yet this morning?"—*Church Humor*.

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Richard Armour



Cover Girls

The "covered up" look is the latest thing in women's swim suit styles.—News item.

Now girls across the nation model
In swim suits that completely
swaddle,

And when they swim, and show no
skin,

Observers think they've fallen in.

The "covered up" look, being new,
Will doubtless startle quite a few,
And cause young men who spy
such frocks

To hurl themselves from nearby
docks,

Perhaps to rescue those who seem
To drown in ocean, lake, or stream,
Or else, aware that styles in clothes
Have changed, to drown themselves
—who knows?

But on the other hand, the swim
suit
May cover all, but like the gym
suit

Or ballerina costume, cling
And really hardly hide a thing.

Well, if it doesn't pass the test,
By which we mean at least suggest
The contours that it doesn't show,
It's gotta go, it's gotta go.

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A henpecked weatherman was
describing his wife to an old friend.

"She speaks 150 words a minute," he said, "with gusts up to 180." — E E KENYON, *American Wkly.*

A Washington friend of ours reports that on a door in one of the gov't bldgs there he read the following:

4156

General Services Administration
Region 3

Public Buildings Service

Buildings Management Division

Utility Room

Custodial.

When he asked an attendant what all this meant, he was briskly told, "Broom closet." — *New Yorker.* m

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A woman went to stay with a friend who lived in a rather primitive cottage. As she was preparing to retire, the hostess appeared at the door. "If you should want anything that you haven't got," she said, "just ask for it. We can easily show you how to do without it." — *Tit-Bits*, London. o

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A neophyte copy-editor in a large advertising agency, it is told, was slowly going out of his mind because his copy chief was constantly taking a small slip of paper from his breast pocket, looking at it, leering, then putting it back. After watching this for months, he managed one day, when the copy chief was taking a nap, to steal the secret paper from the jacket in back of the chief's chair. He opened the slip of paper with trembling hands. It read: "I before E, except after C." — JOHN G FULLER, *Saturday Review.* n

Quote

Rev WM JAMES, Metropolitan Community Methodist Church, N Y C, on "revival rage": "There is a danger religion will become so salvation-minded that it will forget what it is seeking to save. Are people being converted into useful servants of God and man, or are they merely being rescued from wrath to come?" 1-Q-t

Bob SHAD, repertoire director, on *Younger Generation*: "Kids must have their comic-book fling before turning to Wm Shakespeare and Wm Faulkner. In a few yrs youngsters who now buy rock 'n' roll record will have graduated to the classics." 2-Q-t

Edited by Alice Jacobs

We took our vacation in the winter, and have been feeling quite wistful lately as we watch our friends take blithely off for the north woods. But we've been consoling ourself with the idea that at least we don't have to find anyone to take care of the yard. Now that problem is partly solved for those of you who are leaving home for a few days. An electronic robot, no less, will water your lawn and garden. Controlled by the weather, it measures amount of moisture in soil, automatically turns sprinklers on and off as needed. Runs on AC

current. \$35, from S Reisner, 33-42 72nd St, Jackson Heights 72, N Y.

Too-wet grounds can be a problem, too. So to keep sport events from being called or delayed because of them, *West Point Products Corp'n*, West Point, Pa, has designed a mechanical blotter that soaks up excess moisture the way a household sponge mop does. The machine resembles a motorized lawn roller, has a 24-inch long sponge roller which soaks up to 20 times its weight in water. Blt-in wringer squeezes water out of roller and into a removable pan. \$475.

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